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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

WEIGAND ET AL.

Examiner

Khanh V. Nguyen

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 30 March 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-19 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-11 and 14-19 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 12 and 13 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

Claim 9 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

It is not clear what is meant by "a single pole six throw switch".

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1-5, 14, 15, 17, 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Shapiro et al. (5,973,568).

Regarding claims 1, 17, 19 Shapiro et al. (Figs. 1, 2) disclose a power amplifier comprising: at least one first power amplifier (104/220); at least one first matching circuit (106/222); at least one first filter (110/236); and an antenna (ANT) having the connections and functions thereof.

Regarding claim 2, further comprising a diplexer (112/228) can be read as a decoder having the connection thereof.

Regarding claim 3, further comprising a switch (238) coupled to filter 236).

Regarding claims 4, 18, further comprising (Fig. 1) a second power amplifier (204); at least one second matching circuit (206/226); and at least one second filter (210) having the connections and functions thereof.

Regarding claim 5, further comprising a diplexer (112/228) can be read as a decoder having the connection thereof.

Regarding claim 14, wherein the filter is a low pass filter.

Regarding claim 15, wherein harmonic filters (Fig. 1) can be low pass filters.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

This application currently names joint inventors. In considering patentability of the claims under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), the examiner presumes that the subject matter of the various claims was commonly owned at the time any inventions covered therein were made absent any evidence to the contrary. Applicant is advised of the obligation under 37 CFR 1.56 to point out the inventor and invention dates of each claim that was not commonly owned at the time a later invention was made in order for the examiner to consider the applicability of 35 U.S.C. 103(c) and potential 35 U.S.C. 102(e), (f) or (g) prior art under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

Claims 6-8, 10, 11, 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Shapiro et al.

Regarding claim 6, Shapiro et al. (Fig. 1) disclose the claimed invention except claimed switch. However, Fig. 2 of Shapiro et al. disclose a switch (236) placed between antenna and filter (236). Accordingly, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have provided a switch for radio communication.

Regarding claims 7, 16 Shapiro et al. disclose the claimed invention except the circuit elements are disposed on a leadframe. However, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have combined all circuit elements a single semiconductor chip ie. leadframe, because it is simpler and does not require a cumbersome circuit.

Regarding claim 8, wherein utilizing such known type of leadframe is considered a matter of design engineering, since they are based on the routine experimentation to obtain the optimum operating parameters.

Regarding claims 10, 11, wherein the switch is coupled to an antenna/reception signal.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 12, 13 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claims 12, 13 call for, among others, a decoder provides control signals to the amplifiers.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The additional reference (Fujioka (6,366,788)) shows further analogous prior art circuitry (communication system having amplifier, matching circuit, and filter).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Khanh V. Nguyen whose telephone number is (571) 272-1767. The examiner can normally be reached from 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert Pascal can be reached on (571) 272-1769. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 872-9306 for regular communications and (703) 872-9306 for After Final communications.

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